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July 30, 1954

Dear Allen:

Reference is made to your letter of July 23 with which you transmitted the "Report of the Survey of Intelligence Needs and Assets of the U.S. Information Agency." I agree wholeheartedly with the conclusions reached in the Report.

I have approved those recommendations which relate to my area of responsibility, and have commenced the staff work necessary for their implementation.

I agree that implementation of the Report will require continued consultation and cooperation between the interested agencies, especially during the critical formative stages of our own Intelligence Unit. I am designating Mr. Henry Loomis as a central point within USIA for such consultation with [redacted] who, with his staff, has won the confidence and respect of every element of USIA with which they have come in contact.

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The survey has already helped solve some of our most pressing problems. Several new procedures have been established, both within USIA and between USIA and other agencies, as a direct result of the survey. I have every hope that adoption of all the recommendations will result in a major improvement in intelligence support for USIA, and in utilization of its intelligence assets.

Sincerely,

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